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THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

Letter dated 8 February 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, in connection with your note No. SCPC/7/90(3-2) of 20 December 1990 transmitting the questionnaire of the Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990), the attached communication No. DGSPI/DAM of 16 January 1991 from the Director-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Venezuela (Deputy Minister) containing the reply to that questionnaire concerning measures taken by the Government of Venezuela to implement resolution 661 (1990).

(Signed) Guillermina DA SILVA-SUNIAGA
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Letter dated 16 January 1991 from the Director-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Venezuela addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to refer to your communication No. SCPC/7/90(3-2) of 20 December 1990 requesting a reply to the questionnaire of the Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the adoption of national measures to implement resolution 661.

I should like to inform you that there are no special legal provisions in Venezuela for implementing the resolutions of international organizations. As a result, no legislation has been enacted or orders, decrees or other administrative provisions of a general nature passed that serve as a legal basis for the implementation of Security Council resolution 661 (1990). Venezuelan public bodies must comply with the resolutions of international organizations and no special measure is required for that purpose.

It must also be pointed out that in Venezuela the control of imports is assigned to the Ministry of Finance and to police bodies, which are responsible for controlling any kind of imports, including those covered by resolution 661. The control of exports in general is assigned to the Foreign Trade Institute and the Ministry of Finance, and this includes exports and activities covered by resolution 661. There is no special system of control in Venezuela for preventing transfers of financial or economic resources covered by resolution 661 because, as indicated above, no special measure or order is required to implement the resolutions of international organizations.

Concerning the type of penalty (fine, seizure, forfeiture, etc.) to prevent breaches of Security Council resolution 661 (1990) by individuals or companies, the necessary administrative measures are being taken in Venezuela to prevent such breaches. Should a breach of those measures occur, the penalties provided for in Venezuela's legal system would apply. However, so far there have been no problems in implementing Security Council resolutions 661 (1990) fully.

Lastly, no special legislative or other measures have been taken in Venezuela to implement resolution 661 with regard to contracts entered into or licences granted before the date of the resolution, and no specific measures have been taken to protect the assets of the Government of Kuwait and its agencies in accordance with paragraph 9 (a) of Security Council resolution 661 (1990) because no such measures are required.

(Signed) Adolfo R. TAYLHARDAT
Ambassador
Director-General